

**Town Meeting
For the Town of Buffalo
February 13, 2006**

Chairman called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Gene Mucciolo, Jean Rataczak, Jan Banicki, Donna Seddon, Fred Wollenburg
Others: Dorothy Schwochert, David Rieckmann, Charlie Church, Leta Meitner, Linda Halfpap

Agenda:

Agenda was reviewed. Fred Wollenburg motioned to approve the agenda. Seconded by Jan Banicki. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes:

Minutes were read. Jan Banicki motioned to accept the minutes of the Town Meeting. Seconded by Fred Wollenburg. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was given by Jean Rataczak. Jean Rataczak explained the change in her report and reported on the interest rate we are receiving on our fund account. Jan Banicki motioned to accept the report. Seconded by Fred Wollenburg. All in favor, motion carried.

Accounting Software

Donna Seddon reported on the State's recommendation and research into the type of software we should purchase. After conferring with Gene Mucciolo and after he talked to TownHall Inc., it was decided to purchase the TownHall Inc. accounting software for \$999.00. They will offer unlimited support for the first year. After the first year, the updates and support will be \$150.00 year. This is less than half of what we annually pay for the Treasurer's tax software.

Emergency Management Plan

Our training was postponed due to an illness in Kristine Leverich's family. It will be rescheduled in March. The Town will wait for Chuck Fehl to submit his Emergency Management Plan Draft in April, made up of the new templates provided by Kristine Leverich.

Fire Sign Replacement

A discussion was opened by the Chairman after explaining last month's discussion. This discussion was tabled and will be re-introduced at the Annual Town Board Meeting on April 11, 2006. A decision will be made at the Annual Town Board Meeting.

Proposed Ordinance—Fence Viewing

The draft ordinance was reviewed and one change was made. Gene Mucciolo will send the corrected ordinance to Donna Seddon for posting. (One step was missed in this process and this will be held over until the March 13, 2006 Town Meeting.)

April – Town Pride Month Viewing

In past years, Town Pride was held on a Saturday and residents were asked to pick up road litter. There was no charge for recycling road litter. Gene Mucciolo would like to discuss extending the Town Pride from one day to one month. Discussion followed as to how we could handle large item pick-up, road litter, garbage, and hazardous waste. The County is planning a Chemical Clean Sweep in June that could address the hazardous waste. Gene Mucciolo will

check into this further. Everyone should be prepared to make suggestions and make decisions on this issue at the next meeting.

Newsletter

Draft copies of the newsletter were handed out and read. Discussion followed concerning the issues addressed in the draft newsletter and if there should be any more additions. E-mail addresses for the Board will be added to the newsletter. The address of where the 2nd half of tax payments should be sent will be included.

Correspondence

1. Endeavor Recycling Proposal-- Gene Mucciolo needs to clarify some of the pricing.
2. Construction Permits for Verizon and Century Tel—Their requests will be forwarded to Ron Sell, County Highway Commissioner.
3. County Board of Adjustment Variance for Adam & Jenifer Reiche—The Town has no shoreline ordinances for construction although it is covered by the County.
4. Letter from Char Larsen—She has decided to resign from Emergency Management due to her health.
5. Marquette County Title, Inc.—Request for an annual form letter for special assessments. We can not provide this until after the Annual Town Board Meeting in April. Donna Seddon to inform them of the delay.

Citizens and Board Concerns:

1. Fred Wollenburg reminded the Board that we should have the paneling put up in the recycle building as soon as it is warmer.
2. Dorothy Schwochert reported that the electricity to the recycle building had to be repaired last Saturday. A wire was broken under the building and she had no heat or lights until a resident electrician stopped by to recycle garbage. He crawled under the building and spliced the wire together. The wiring will have to be checked and repaired.
3. The outside light on the Town Building was replaced by Dave Goodhue from Oxford and he is checking to see what can be done about making the outside dusk to dawn lights dark sky friendly.
4. Town Hall rewiring costs will be reviewed at the Annual Town Board Meeting.
5. Wisconsin Towns Association District Meeting is this April and we must send representatives. Jan Banicki and Fred Wollenburg will attend on Saturday, April 1st, 2006.
6. TRM Grant—Fox-Marquette Estates has contacted the County to see if they qualify for the Targeted Runoff Management Grant from the DNR. They will meet on Wed., February 15th.

Vouchers

Checks were presented and discussed. Motion was made by Jan Banicki to pay said bills. Seconded by Gene Mucciolo. All in favor, motion carried.

Set Meeting Dates: Next Town Meeting will be March 13th at 7:30 p.m.
Emergency Management Training, March 13th at 6:30 p.m.
Annual Board Meeting is April 11th at 7 p.m.

Business Concluded. Motion to adjourn by Fred Wollenburg. Seconded by Jan Banicki. Motion carried.

Submitted by Donna Seddon, Town Clerk